

49-6-4209. Report of reasonable suspicion by principal to law enforcement officer.

It is the duty of a school principal who has reasonable suspicion to believe, either as a result of a search or otherwise, that any student is committing or has committed any violation of title [39](#), chapter 17, part 4, § [39-17-1307](#), or of § [39-17-1309](#), upon the school ground or within any school building or structure under the principal's supervision, to report such reasonable suspicion to the appropriate law enforcement officer. School personnel have the duty to report any reasonable suspicion that a student is committing or has committed any violation of title [39](#), chapter 17, part 4 or of § [39-17-1307](#) to the principal, or, if the principal is not available, to the principal's designee. If neither the principal nor the designee is available, school personnel may report violations of title [39](#), chapter 17, part 4 or of § [39-17-1307](#), committed on school property to the appropriate authorities.

[Acts 1981, ch. 368, § 2; T.C.A., § 49-9-410; Acts 1994, ch. 636, § 12; 1995, ch. 102, § 1; 1995, ch. 215, § 1; 2007, ch. 94, § 1.]